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PRESIDENT'S PAGE . . . —WINN OSBORNE

The passing of **Earl Parker** leaves a void which it seems is impossible to fill. His many friends in California and across the nation were shocked by the news of his death. He was a professional numismatist of the highest rating, and a credit to the profession. His many years of experience in the numismatic field gave him knowledge which he shared generously. To hold a Cal-State convention without "Oil's" cheery smile and greeting to all his friends will be a most difficult task. Always a staunch supporter of our association and its ideals, Earl will be missed by all who knew him. I am proud to have been one of Earl's friends, and one whom he greeted by name. To Mrs. Irene Parker, on behalf of CSNA, I extend deepest sympathy.

—CSNA—

LOCAL CLUBS . . . ATTENTION PLEASE

I see you at the meetings,
But you never say hello;
You're busy all the time you're there,
With those you already know.

I sit amongst the people
And yet I'm a lonesome guy.
The new folks are as strange as I,
You old members pass me by.

Why can't you nod and say hello,
Or stop and shake my hand,
Then go and sit among your friends.
Now, that, I'd understand.

I'll be at your next meeting,
Perhaps a nice hour to spend;
Please introduce yourself,
I want to be a friend!

—Milwaukee-Racine Craftsmen

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FRNS—

The letters FRNS after the name of a numismatist indicate that the holder is a Fellow of the Royal Numismatic Society, which maintains its collections in the British Museum, London.

But Earl, I am sure would not have us look back nor grieve too long. He would have us look to the future of Cal-State and the future of numismatics. He would have us look with anticipation to Berkeley in April, where under the general chairmanship of Don Thrall, one of our fine semi-annual conventions will be held. Plans are moving along on schedule.

Recently I met with Herb Bergen, general chairman for October at the Disneyland Hotel. We met with Martha Henderson, director of sales for the hotel. She was most cooperative and from all indications we will have a bang-up convention there.

Hoping to see all of you at Berkeley and Disneyland.

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The Half Dollars of 1794-1807

By COMPTON JOHNSON

FOREWORD

The entire United States half dollar series, including the patterns, has been particularly interesting to me. Few other series of coins have been so consistently struck year after year, yet less in recent years has been written about half dollars, except the Commemoratives, than one would suspect. Hazeltine's Type Table (1881) was the first comprehensive attempt at classifying these coins. Later, Beistle (1929) published his Register of Half Dollar Die Varieties and Sub-Varieties, which work augmented and supplemented Hazeltine's effort. Beistle's Register is today the accepted standard work on this subject. Unfortunately, both Hazeltine and Beistle concerned themselves primarily with classification, and little or no information was imparted concerning many aspects of these coins of which the inquiring collector is interested.

—1794—

Twelve and one-half years after General Washington announced cessation of hostilities with England, the first half dollar was struck at the then two year old United States mint, located at 29 North Seventh St., Philadelphia. Philadelphia was the seat of our National Government at that time and establishment of the mint in that city was contingent upon the removal of the Capitol of our nation "within ten years to a place on the Potomac," under an agreement between the northern and southern members of Congress. In October or early November, 1794, the half dollars were first struck. I quote the following excerpts from a report of the Mint Director, David Rittenhouse, written October 28, 1794—"A beginning has been made in coinage of the precious metals; near 120,000 ounces of bullion have already been deposited in the mint for coinage, a considerable quantity of which being too base for the standard of the U.S. Mint."

I quote further from the same report—"a parcel of blank dollars is ready for coining, waiting for a more powerful press to be furnished."

During the ensuing forty years, more than 59,000,000 half dollars were coined, being surpassed in number only by the large cents, of which almost 63,000,000 were struck.

The description of the 1794 half dollar is as follows: **Obverse**—Bust of Liberty, facing right, eight stars to left, seven to right, Liberty above and date below bust, which is characterized by long, loose or flowing hair. **Reverse** — U.S.A. and eagle, wings displayed, standing on a rock, head to right, within laurel wreath, scallop pattern on milling. **Edge**—fifty cents or half dollar with stars separating. Weight of coin, 208 grains, size 21/16 in. in diameter.

The devices of this half dollar are, therefore, the exact counterpart of the dollar of that year, the only difference between the two coins being the size, weight and lettering on the edge.

How many 1794 half dollars were minted in that year will, in my opinion, never be known. Certainly not more than a few thousand, due to the fact that coinage was commenced late and because the poor and inadequate mint equipment and lack of trained personnel was such as not to permit a large output of these coins, along with other coins.

It was not until 1836 that steam power presses were introduced, prior to that date the screw press being used. All machinery, such as the rolling machine, used to roll out the ingots into strips, the milling machine, used to turn up the planchet edges, and the coining press, itself, was manually operated.

During the first years of the mint's operation, every effort was directed toward increase to relieve demand for coins of all types—hence, dies which should have long been discarded due to wear or fractures, were used as long as possible, which explains, in part, the many sub-varieties. Mint methods employed to insure correct weight were crude, and when adjustments were found necessary, due to overweight, the hand-file was used, hence the term "file marks."

"File marks" or "adjustment marks," as they are sometimes termed, are found frequently on early date half dollars. The file was not always applied to the edge of the coin, but often to the obverse as well as the reverse side. Even gold coins, struck during this early period, bear this evidence of lack of proper methods to insure weight accuracy. One might wonder why so much care was exercised that a silver coin was not over-weight, even a few grains. The answer, of course, lies in the fact that during this period the intrinsic value was often more prized by the public than the value established for the coin as a medium of exchange.

Planchet defects are common, not only to the early half dollars but to other coins also. I have examined many early date half dollars and have been amazed at the high proportion that have planchet defects. These imperfections, like "file marks," do not lessen the value of early mint products to the informed and experienced collector, but, on the contrary, rather like the "hallmark," characteristic of fine old silver, enhance their desirability.

The half dollars of 1794 are very scarce; coins in extremely fine condition being rare and in uncirculated condition, very rare. Of the seventeen varieties and sub-varieties listed by Beistle, six are very rare, irrespective of condition.

—1795—

The half dollars of 1795 are of precisely the same design as the 1794 half dollar, and more than 300,000 were struck. Like the 1794 half dollar, all have milled borders and the edges plain with lettering incused, or sunk in, for the dual purpose of indicating the denomination and to discourage clipping. The diameter of the coin is the same as that of 1794, as indeed are all half dollars struck prior to adoption of an entirely new type during 1836, with one exception, namely, the 1807 half dollar, with Liberty facing left and having large stars, which coin is slightly larger. Edge lettering was discontinued with adoption of the new type during 1836.

Student collectors of this series often specialize in the coins of this date, attempting to collect all or the majority of the some sixty odd varieties and sub-varieties. 1795 half dollars of the common varieties are not rare, except in uncirculated condition, many varieties being obtainable in fine to very fine condition at modest prices. However, the three leaf variety, one of the best known varieties, in fine condition commands a high price.

I happen to have a splendid uncirculated 1795 half dollar of the "open mouth" variety. This coin came to me indirectly from the Pierce Collection, and was classified as B-11-P. After careful study, I discovered the coin should have been classified as B-13-S. I relate this only to emphasize the need to examine carefully one's coins and not to blindly accept the attribution of a coin, even a coin coming from a famous collection of an outstanding numismatist.

One might wonder at the large number of varieties and sub-varieties of this date. Bear in mind that sub-varieties, for the most part, as distinguished from true varieties, which are variations in design deliberate on the part of the engraver, in execution, are the result primarily of poor or faulty materials, tools, production errors and the use of worn or cracked dies. Recut letters, stars, etc., are responsible for many sub-varieties. The need at that time to promote production, at the expense of perfection, is apparent.

—1796—

There was a change of design in 1796, the description of this half dollar being: **Obverse**— draped bust of Liberty to right, with long, loose hair, two side locks drawn back and tied with a ribbon; sixteen stars, nine on the left, seven on the right. **Reverse**— wreath composed of laurel and palm branches, the left half containing twenty-two laurel leaves and ten berries, the right half, sixteen palm leaves and no berries. Below, "one half" in fraction.

The coins of this year and of 1797 are the counterpart of the fillet dollar of 1795. Of the 1796 coins, there are two known varieties, one with fifteen stars on obverse, the other with sixteen stars; both varieties being rare in even fine condition. Coins of this date, when found in uncirculated condition are extremely rare and command a very high price.

No living numismatist can, with authority, say how many 1796 half dollars were struck. The mint records show no half dollars as being coined in that year, which indicates that possibly the calendar year was not meant, but rather the fiscal year, which began July 1 and ended June 30 of the following year.

—1797—

The half dollars of 1797 all have fifteen stars, eight on the left and seven on the right, and except for this and change in date, resemble in every respect the 1796 half dollars. Only one variety of this coin is known, although Beistle lists several sub-varieties.

Mint records show that but 3918 coins were struck, which statement I would not care to dispute, since coins of this date are all very rare, irrespective of condition. From my own experience, I would hazard the opinion that in uncirculated condition, the 1797 half dollar is a greater rarity than either of the 1796 half dollars in a comparable condition.

—1798—1799—1800—

No half dollars were struck bearing the dates 1798, 1799 and 1800.

—1801—

In 1801 a new type half dollar made its first appearance. This half dollar is known as the Heraldic Type. The obverse is similar to that of the 1796 half dollar, except that the new coin has thirteen stars, seven to the left and six to the right. The reverse is entirely different, the description being as follows: Legend: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. An eagle displayed, with large shield of U.S. on breast, grasping thirteen arrows in right claw and an olive branch in the left; in the beak a scroll inscribed E PLURIBUS UNUM (One out of Many); above the head, a glory, thirteen stars, beneath an arch of clouds.

Two varieties of this coin are listed by Beistle, one with thirteen arrows in the eagle's claw; the other, the rarer variety, with twelve arrows.

All half dollars struck during 1801 and after, until coinage in 1948 of the Ben Franklin half dollar, have thirteen stars on the obverse.

1801 half dollars are rare, irrespective of condition and, while mint records indicate more than 30,000 were struck, seldom do we find either the twelve or thirteen arrow variety in better than fine condition, most specimens being only good to fine. Any 1801 specimens of a grade better than very fine are very rare.

—1802—

In 1802, according to the mint records, 29,890 half dollars were coined, all of the same variety and all having twelve arrows in the eagle's claw.

These coins, from my experience, belong in the same category as the 1801 half dollars as to rarity. This view is not shared, however, by all numismatists. I might again hazard an opinion that the collector who has specialized in a series is more aware of the greater rarity of a particular coin than is one of extensive general numismatic experience.

—1803—

In 1803 some 31,000 half dollars were coined, and we find two varieties. The first variety, the scarcer, is the so-called "small 3" in the date. The other is the so-called "large 3." In addition, there are five listed subvarieties. Some of the 1803 coins have twelve arrows in the eagle's claw, but most of them have thirteen. All coins of this date are very scarce in choice condition, uncirculated specimens being rare.

Many of the 1803 half dollars bear evidence of a phenomenon first detected on the 1795 half dollars, commonly known as "suction marks." In my opinion, it is unfortunate that this term was ever employed. Beistle coined a word for these marks, which are defects on the coins, where a device, or a part thereof, rightfully belonging on one side of the coin is found either embossed or incused on the opposite side. The word Beistle coined is "akeidefect." The term "suction marks" was first used because many persons believed the effect was produced by suction while the dies parted and when the tremendous pressure required in coining was released, the suction drawing the impression through the planchet. In this theory, I cannot concur. I have, in the course of collecting, to find one instance where the embossed markings are not perfectly formed and often sharp, as direct pressure of the die applied to the planchet would make. In addition, I have noticed how frequently specimens show up bearing the identical markings. By no stretch of the imagination can I conceive how incused or embossed markings could have been "drawn through" the planchet. Beistle is of the opinion, and with which opinion I agree, that through accident the obverse and reverse dies were brought together under pressure with no planchet separating them; the harder of the two dies leaving a portion of its impression on the softer die, which, in effect, caused all coins subsequently struck to show this evidence of carelessness. Why not let our National Association, once and for all time, attempt to settle this point, and if the latter theory is proven correct let us then expunge the term "suction marks" from the lexicon of numismatic terminology.

—1804—

While there is some evidence that half dollars may have been coined during 1804 (the Mint records indicate more than 150,000), the consensus of most numismatists is that no half dollars bearing the date 1804 were struck. It is possible that the coins attributed to 1804, in the Mint report, were actually struck in 1805, prior to July 1, but within the fiscal year.

It was during this year, 1804, that coinage of the ten dollar gold piece was suspended; only the small denominations of both gold and silver coins being continued, after a short interuption. The 1804 dollar, for example, not even being struck in that year but at a later date, according to some students of the history of this famous coin. This suspension in coining the ten dollar gold piece and the silver dollar was largely brought about because as bullion many of the gold coins and silver coins were being exported, prices realized by exporters exceeding their exchange value in our country. Coinage of the ten dollar gold piece was not resumed until 1838 and the silver dollar did not reappear, except as a pattern, before 1840. From 1804 until 1840, the half dollar was, for all practical purposes, the only medium of exchange when "hard" money was required. These coins also served as reserves against paper money issued by banks.

Gold during this period was hoarded, and only a few silver dimes and quarters were in circulation. From 1794 to 1832 only 8,619,000 dimes and slightly more than 2,500,000 quarters were minted.

Richard Yeoman, in his "Guide Book of U.S. Coins," 1948 edition, lists an 1804 half dollar—one known. No numismatist, to whom I have ever spoken concerning this coin, has ever claimed to have seen or handled one. Beistle stated "not one of this date is now known." Further I have meticulously examined catalogs of well known sales, going back more than one hundred years, and have failed to find an instance where this coin was listed. In recent years, such well known collections as the Wharton, Hall, Pierce, Higgy, Dunham, Atwater, Roach, Geiss, Neil, Olsen and Grinnel did not contain an 1804

half dollar. Surely one might reasonably expect, that if this coin actually exists, a specimen would have been found in one of these collections.

A numismatist, A. M. Smith, who was a prominent dealer in Philadelphia eighty years ago, flatly stated that no 1804 half dollars were struck. I quote from a document written by W. Elliott Woodward, a leading numismatist of his day, who purchased intact the celebrated Mickley Collection (1866)—"The Mickley collection, which is now in the collection of the writer, probably contains the only perfect set of U.S. silver to be found, and even this lacks the 1804 half dollar; a specimen of which is claimed for a fine collection in the Empire State, but concerning the genuineness of which opinions are divided."

Seventy-nine years later the Numismatic Gallery sold at public auction (April, 1945) a magnificent collection of half dollars forming part of a collection termed "World's Greatest Collection of U.S. Coins." In the catalog listing the collection appears this statement—"There are no half dollars dated 1804."

We know there was more than one die made for the 1804 half dollar, and we have the 1805 half dollar, the over-date, with its two varieties to prove it. Certainly, the 1804 half dollar is as great, if not a greater, enigma than its counterpart the 1804 dollar. If, as Mr. Yeoman stated, there is one 1804 half dollar known, and its genuineness established beyond all doubt, then I would unhesitatingly proclaim that this coin shares equally with the twenty dollar gold piece of 1849 as being of the greatest rarity of all U.S. coins.

—1805—

In 1805 more than 200,000 half dollars were struck, if mint records are to be trusted, embracing some six varieties and eight sub-varieties. The best known varieties are the over-dates, the 1805s over 1804, which are the first over-dates of the half dollar series. The perfect date of the 1805 half dollar is not generally considered as scarce as the over-date, but from my own experience I am convinced that the perfect date is just as scarce, in choice condition. Uncirculated specimens of the 1805 half dollar, either the perfect date or the over-date, are rare.

—1806

Half dollars of 1806 are particularly interesting due to the many varieties and sub-varieties, and more than 800,000 were struck. The better known varieties are the 1806 over 1805, the 1806 over 6, with knobbed 6, and the 1806 over 9 (which I consider an extremely rare coin). The first cut 6 of this coin was inverted in error, and then recut correctly. Other major varieties of this date are the round top 6, the pointed 6, and the small and large stars. There is also a variety where the stem does not go through the eagle's claw.

Beginning with the half dollars of 1806 we find for the first time that it is not too difficult to secure choice coins of the more common varieties, and extremely fine specimens are not rare, only very scarce.

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EXHIBITS IMPORTANT

A true collector will display his collection at his club meetings, so that all present may enjoy the fruits of his labor.

EAST BAY COIN CLUB— YOUR HOST

April 16 is a memorable day! In 1948 60 persons assembled at the Jenny Lind Hall in Oakland and formed the East Bay Coin Club.

1964 — 16 years later, April 16, sees the opening of another CSNA convention, the fourth time for East Bay Coin Club to be host to our state organization. The first time, in 1950, R. G. McArthur was general chairman; in 1955, Gilbert D. Eaton had the honor. In 1961, as in 1964, Don Thrall is in charge.

EBCC publishes a monthly bulletin, "The Circulated Proof", which contains personal items of interest pertaining to the members, and articles pertaining to the general welfare of the club.

A member-of-the-year plaque has been awarded annually since 1958 to the member who has done most for the club.

At several times individual members, and the club as a unit, have participated in National Coin Week, and have won awards from ANA.

Regular meetings are held the second Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m., at Bjornson Hall, 2258 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. Guests are cordially welcomed.

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—1807—

1807 was the last year that the Heraldic Type of half dollar was struck, and toward the end of that year a new type of half dollar, portraying a large Liberty head facing left, with draped bust and Liberty cap on obverse and an entirely different reverse was adopted. The story of this new type half dollar rightfully belongs to another chapter, as these interesting coins, with but slight variation in design, were coined continuously and without interruption, except in 1816, when no half dollars were struck, for almost thirty years.

Editor's Note—The author of this article passed away about six or seven years ago; and the article is now the property of Mrs. Thelma Case of Santa Monica.

DON T. THRALL

General Chairman

The Man for the Job! Who could be better qualified to be general chairman of the convention than Don?

General chairman of the CSNA convention held at the Claremont Hotel, Berkeley, April 1961.

Recording secretary of East Bay Coin Club in 1954 and 1955; and president in 1956 and 1957. Has been a member of the Board of Governors of East Bay Coin Club, and is at present on the Board of Governors of Pacific Coast Numismatic Society.

Has written several articles which have been printed in Calcoin News.

Has exhibited at many CSNA conventions and local coinaramas, and has won his share of awards.

Has been a coin collector and numismatist since a young boy. Is a specialist on California banks, early western railroads, and California city street car tokens.

For a more complete write-up of Don's life, see "Who's Who in California Numismatics," Fall 1960 issue of Calcoin News.

Berkeley Convention

By DON T. THRALL

The **East Bay Coin Club** extends a cordial invitation to everyone interested in coins, whether it be collecting, investing, buying, selling or trading, to attend the 34th semi-annual convention of the **California State Numismatic Association** to be held at the Hotel Claremont in Berkeley, **April 16-19, 1964.**

Numismatic exhibits are always an important feature of CSNA conventions, and this convention will be no exception. There will be on display material depicting every phase and period of our hobby. Included will be a portion of the CSNA Californiana collection. Exhibit chairman is **R. J. Frost,** 2344 Parker St., Berkeley.

At the bourse tables will be dealers from all parts of the state. In addition there will be dealers from out-of-state as well. There will be merchandise available to fill the needs of beginners as well as old-timers, collectors or investors. To reserve bourse space contact **Wendell J. Hooker,** 930 "C" St., Hayward.

The ladies lounge will be open for their pleasure and convenience from the opening of the convention until Saturday evening. Here will be a place to sit and relax, to visit with friends. Current magazines and playing cards will be available. Light refreshments will be served in the afternoons.

If you have ever attended an auction, you know what will be in store for you—if you have never attended an auction, this will be your chance. Fine material will be available, with a chance to compete in the spirited bidding. For information concerning the auction contact **John Cobb,** P.O. Box 1172, Mountain View.

The Friday Night Forum will be in charge of **A. W. Ritchie,** and promises to be one of the highlights of the convention. Everyone—members and non-members, juniors and seniors, are urged to attend this interesting and informative session.

The always interesting Club Officers Breakfast will be held Saturday

morning. Anyone who has been, is now, or expects to be a club officer is welcome to attend. Tickets will be available at the registration desk.

The Saturday Night Banquet is a fitting climax to our conventions. Preceded by a cocktail hour, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Straw Monkey Room, the banquet will start at 7:30. This is the time for the presentation of awards, and of a few short speeches. There will be entertainment. This is the social event of the convention—plan now to attend and join in the fun. Tickets will be available at the registration desk.

My committee chairmen and myself are ready to welcome you April 16-19.

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RECENT BANK RELEASES

Charles Hoskins, assistant to the director of the Money Museum, **National Bank of Detroit,** has been placed in charge of the educational program of the ANA convention, Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 19-22.

On Dec. 3, 1963, **Henry Bardenhagen,** manager of the **Chase Manhattan Bank's** new branch office, presented a large size (about 3′ x 8′) reproduction of a $2 bill to students of the third grade of the Paul Revere School. He explained to them that frequently historical scenes in American history were printed on our early paper currency. This reproduction is of a bill issued by The Bank of The Empire State, Cattaraugus County, New York, dated May 1, 1851, and symbolizes the friendly exchange of knowledge and harvests between the early settlers in America and the Indians.

Sunken treasure forms the exhibit which opened the latter part of December in the bank's money museum in Rockefeller Center. Spanish dollars, commonly called 'pieces of eight,' formed the basis of the exhibit. From these coins, actually 8 reales pieces, comes our terms two bits, four bits and six bits.

(Editor's Note—We would like to print, in future issues of Calcoin News, similar data pertaining to activities of banks, loan companies, etc., in California and other western states. We will appreciate the assistance of our members and friends.

CURATOR'S REPORT

RECENT DONATIONS

Miss Irene Simpson, director of the History Room of Wells Fargo Bank, San Francisco, has donated an original 1902 Wells Fargo employee's medal to our Californiana Collection. **Don Thrall** was one of our members instrumental in securing this valuable addition.

A complete story of this most interesting medal will be included in the summer issue of Calcoin News.

E. C. Fitzgerald sent in a box of merchant tokens, transportation tokens and historical medals. Among them was a one dollar token from Vandenburg AFB.

Erich Werling kept up a steady flow of items. Erich not only donated many of the items himself, but is a master at getting others to send in items.

California Exonumist Society forwarded one of their beautiful membership badges, and some unusual wooden money items.

Earl Parker gave a large I.O.O.F. California badge. This is not the first very valuable piece Earl has donated.

Ben Coon, Aaron Feldman and **E. T. de Verkin** also sent in items for our collection.

WHAT TO DONATE

Anything pertaining to California, which is connected with numismatics has a place in our CSNA Californiana Collection. Items particularly wanted are "S" mint coins, merchant tokens, transportation tokens, historical medals, depression scrip, or any token about California. Send donations to:

BRYAN O. BURKE JR.
2364 North "G" St.
San Bernardino, Calif.

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'INTERCOIN'

Ken Hedges has recently succeeded **Maurice Weekley** as editor of **'Intercoin',** official publication of the **International Numismatic Society of San Diego.**

Weekley did a very fine job while editor; and we are sure Hedges will do the same. Our congratulations to Ken, and best wishes for the coming issues of 'Intercoin'.

The Ballad of E.A.P.

(Following is a reprint from **Calcoin News**, September 1955, pages 95 and 97 — **PCNS Celebrates 40th Anniversary.**)

PCNS took this occasion to honor one of its members, **EARL A. PARKER,** prominent coin dealer, with a bronze plaque for outstanding service. Abe Kosoff of Encino made the presentation in behalf of the Society.

Frank X. Galvin, coin dealer of Oakland, wrote a parody on 'Davy Crockett', it being a caricature of the life of Earl A. Parker. It was sung by a quartet — Abe Kosoff, Ken Allen, Erich Werling and Frank Galvin.

Born in the State of Arkansas,
The pride and joy of his Maw and Paw;
Folks were suspecting another girl,
But they took one look and they called him Earl.

Jun -- ior, Junior Parker
Pride of his Paw and Maw.

Smart as a whip when he went to school;
Once told the teacher "I ain't no fool."
He could lick any kid in the entire block,
So they called him the champion of Little Rock.

Rock -- y, Rocky Parker
Champion of Little Rock.

When just sixteen, he came out West;
Studied telegraphy with I. C. S.
Worked as an operator at the key
For Southern Pacific and the A.D.T.

Wire -- less, Wireless Parker
Pride of the A. D. T.

For the next ten years he bought and sold
Stocks and securities, so we're told;
Then the "Coin Bug" bit him, and we knew right well
The world was gonna hear about another Max Mehl.

B. Max, B. Max Parker,
Pride of the Golden West.

He hung out his shingle, and it boldly read
"I buy by the Blue Book — sell by the Red."
But then came the war, and he marched away
With the U.S. Army for a very small pay.

Colonel, Colonel Parker,
Retired as a Pfc.

In nineteen-thirty our good pal, Earl
Married Irene, a Rhode Island girl;
They now have a happy family—
There's George and Jean — little Jimmie makes three.

Daddy, Daddy Parker,
Pride of his family.

George now is married — he's just twenty-one.
He's proud of David, his only son.
Earl keeps a photo of Davy in his pocket;
We mean Davy Parker — not Davy Crockett.

Davy, Davy Parker
Pride of his Grandpa Earl.

Those who are curious will want to hear
Why Mr. Parker chose a coin career;
His chances for richness were very slim,
He needed collectors, but they needed him.

Smiling, Smiling Parker
The collectors needed him.

He gave of his services night and day
To our P-C-N-S and our C-S-N-A;
Committee assignments he would never shirk—
He had just one motto; it was: "Work! Work! Work!"

P C N S Parker
His motto was "work, work, work.'

Known for his wide generosity,
Honest fair-dealing and integrity;
Never gave a client any cause to holler,
He gave true value for the "Yonkee Dollah."

Dollar-for-Dollar Parker
King of our club's pioneers.

Now you've heard the story; we think you'll agree,
We all owe a lot to E. A. P.
We just wanted him to know in language plain
His untiring efforts weren't all in vain.

E A, E A Parker
His efforts weren't all in vain.

From sunny California to the coast of Maine
Ev'ry coin collector must have heard the name
Of Earl Albert Parker, whom we honor with this toast
"Mister Numismatics of our own Pacific Coast."

Earl Albert Parker
Pride of our P C N S.

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POLICE OFFENDED

Police in London, England, did not object when a recent fine was paid in half pennies—but did register a kick when the supposedly 960 coins turned out to be one short.

Who's Who In California Numismatics

WILLIAM J. SEXTON

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By GWENDOLYN SENTIS

This is about that friendly California dealer, **William J. Sexton,** who is better known to all of us as **"Bill,"** the fellow who greets everyone with a smile.

Bill was born in Chicago, Ill., March 1, 1896, and was educated in that city. He worked as a tool and diemaker in his younger days, and in 1913 was president of the Tool and Diemaker Union. He was in the grocery and meat market business from about 1916 to 1920, and left Chicago on June 6, 1928. A year later he settled in Santa Maria, which by local standards truly makes him a "native."

He first became interested in coins during his school days, and his personal collection started growing while he was in the grocery business, when at various times people would come in with odd-looking coins which Bill would put aside for his collection. Even though he is a full-time dealer, he still maintains a personal collection and we would all be proud to own some of the very rare coins he possesses. He also has accumulated an extensive library of numismatic books.

Bill and his wife, Pearl Lee, have been married for 47 years. They have two children, two grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. His wife is interested in coins but on a smaller scale. With a rather wide grin, Bill said that she is in sympathy with all his activities—they also collect cut glass, pictures, and salt and pepper shakers. He told us that his son is interested in coins, a grandson too, as well as a couple of the great-grandchildren—so we are assured that the Sexton line will be represented in numismatics for a great many years to come.

Our subject has been a coin dealer since 1936, and is mostly interested in all U.S. and Canadian coins. He had the honor of acting as president of the American Coin Dealers Association for nearly three years during the time it was in existence, and was known as the "Penny King of the World."

Bill is a long-time member of the American Numismatic Association with number 9,962; and joined CSNA when it was first organized, holding membership number 147. Until 1960 he was one of the "Faithful Five," having never missed a CSNA convention. However, he was stricken with a severe leg ailment in October 1960, which almost cost him the loss of the leg, and as a result missed the San Diego convention. He sent a lengthy telegram advising that he very much wanted to attend even if it was in a wheelchair, but his doctor would not let him make the trip. He is still on the sick list, but has made every convention since. Thirty-two out of thirty-three is a most enviable record!

Ever active, Bill is interested in all sports; belongs to numerous fraternal orders, including the Ancient Order of Druids, the oldest organization in the world; as well as many, many coin clubs. He is past president of the Central Coast Coin Club of San Luis Obispo and the Valley Coin Club of Los Alamos. He has been instrumental in the organization of many

of the clubs in the Central Coast area. By the way, that "ever active" is rather an understatement! We got up with the birds Saturday morning at the Santa Barbara convention to keep our eight o'clock appointment with Bill to write this article, and understand he had been there a good hour before us.

During his years as a coin dealer Bill has handled many of the rarest coins in the United States. He is fortunate to have suffered no losses in recent years, although there was an unsuccessful attempted burglary of his house about three or four months ago.

Bill loves the hobby and meeting people interested in coins. He is always ready and happy to take time to help collectors with their coin problems . . . without this type of person CSNA would be unable to grow as quickly and successfully as it has.

'OUR LOWLY PENNY'

On page 82, Summer 1962 issue of **Calcoin News**, appeared my article **"Our Lowly Penny,"** in which I attempted to show the purchasing value of our one-cent piece from the days of the 1800s up to the present time.

I am in receipt of the following letter, dated Feb. 2, 1964, from our CSNA member **Fred E. Tinkham,** of Hanford, Calif., and which throws some more light on the use of this coin on the West Coast some fifty years ago. My thanks to Mr. Tinkham for this letter.

"It was with a great deal of interest that I read your article "Our Lowly Penny" in the Summer 1962 issue of Calcoin News. At the time this article was received I was very ill for a period of six weeks and unable to write then. The bulletin became mislaid, and I ran across it today, this will explain the delay in writing.

"When I read about the story told by your grandmother of the street car conductor throwing the five pennies into the street, it occurred to me that you might be interested to know that this practice was in vogue at least until 1909.

"My father, mother and myself came to San Francisco from Providence, Rhode Island, in 1906, arriving some five weeks ahead of the earthqu--, pardon me, the fire. My father made a purchase in a bakery and tendered a one or five dollar bill, the only type of money in circulation in the East at the time, other than coins of 50¢ denomination down to pennies, no gold or silver dollars. None of the clerks in the store had ever seen paper money before, and it was not until the proprietor was called that the bill was accepted, no doubt with great misgivings.

"Thirty days after the fire we moved to Portland, Ore. In Portland, it was considered an insult to offer any one pennies in change. If accepted, they were thrown into the gutter upon reaching the sidewalk. I have often wondered how many 1909-S VDBs were swept up by the street cleaners and lost for all time.

"I was employed in the East Washington Street depot in Portland by the Southern Pacific Railway as ticket clerk during 1908 and 1909. The ticket tariffs quoted all fares in odd amounts. However, if the fare was quoted as $1.47, we collected only $1.45. If quoted as $1.48, we collected $1.50, always raising or lowering the amount collected to the nearest even figure (of 5¢). No pennies were carried in the cash drawer.

"I hope that you find some of the above of interest. It is information such as this that will soon be lost forever, and such scraps as we may have should be recorded."

—LES LODGE

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The following publications have been added to our library—

H- 4—Hibler, Harold E. and Kappen, Charles V. "So-Called Dollars."

R-22—Reinfeld, Fred. "A Catalogue of the World's Most Popular Coins."

T- 3—Taxay, Don. "Counterfeit, Mis-Struck and Unofficial U.S. Coins."

W- 5—Wright, B. P. "The American Store or Business Cards."

Please keep in mind that this is your library, and all CSNA members are entitled to use it.

—DOROTHY BEAULIEU

North of the Tehachapis

By DENNIS OLSWANG

The recent second annual coin show of the **Delano Coin Club** was termed a huge success by its members, drawing an attendance of more than 300 persons. The one-day event featured 30 fine exhibits.

Winning "best of show" honors was **Elghus James.** He also won first place award in both U.S. coins and paper money categories. **Ray Pratt** took a first place in the gold coin division, with **Carl Boone** placing first in foreign competition. **Bluebell Miller** upheld the honor of feminine numismatists by winning top honors in the miscellaneous class, with an impressive display of religious medals.

Richard Rogers spoke before a meeting of the **Santa Cruz Coin Club** recently and talked on California gold coins, a subject with which he is well acquainted. Rogers is well known for his writings, and he had his collection for those present to see.

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month in Hackley Hall, 513 Center St., Santa Cruz.

Liberty Numismatic Society returned **Roy Hill** to office as president for a sixth term, when it elected officers at the December meeting. Other officers are **Jim Vallier,** vice president, and **Marilyn Dean,** secretary - treasurer.

R. G. McArthur, first president of the **East Bay Coin Club,** installed that club's new officers at a recent meeting **Dana Booth,** president; **Don Crosman,** vice president; **Elsie East,** secretary; and **R. J. Frost,** treasurer.

Don Thrall was speaker at the January meeting on the subject of the Crocker National Bank.

Members of the **Mother Lode Coin Club** elected officers for 1964 at a recent meeting held in Parish Hall, Grass Valley. New officers are **Ed Bushman,** president; **Ed Schrick,** vice president; **Gary Bushman,** treasurer; and **Tony Schrick,** secretary.

The club held a donation auction, with all proceeds over $5 donated to the Episcopal Church for the use of Parish Hall for the club meetings.

Roy Hill was guest speaker at the December meeting of the **North Bay Coin Club.** Hill talked on the different mint buildings in the United States. His talk was highlighted with an impressive display of many articles pertaining to the subject matter.

At the January meeting **Merle Smith** spoke on ancient Roman and Greek coins, and had some fine pieces on display. He accentuated the point that it is always a challenge to identify an ancient coin and will always lead the collector to learn much history of the famous rulers of the past.

Valley of the Moon Coin Club held a meeting recently in the Sonoma Valley High School building, where the program included a display and discussion of 5, 10 and 25 cent U.S. coins.

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:00 p.m., Sonoma.

New officers of the **Diablo Numismatic Society** are **Norman Cogar,** president; **Robert Ritchie,** vice president; **H. Gelder,** treasurer; **Bud Matthews,** secretary; and **Sue Manthei,** librarian.

The society recently voted to place $200 in a fund to purchase books for their library.

More than 1100 collectors attended the 12th semi-annual Coin Fair of the **Hayward Area Coin Club,** at which **Harold Pape** walked off with "best of show" honors in the exhibit competition as well as taking first place awards in the miscellaneous coins and medals division, and foreign category. United States coins first award went to **Reta Hartson,** with **Florence Hess** placing first in the ancient class.

Charles Bullaro is the new club president. Other officers are **James**

Reavis, vice president; **Zelma Otterson**, treasurer; and **Al Evans**, corresponding secretary.

Theme of the January meeting of the **Peninsula Coin Club** was "Northern Europe in Coins". Featured at the meeting were numismatic treasures from historic northern Europe.

A turkey dinner was served to 145 orphan children at Christmas time by members of the **Sacramento Valley Coin Club**. Gift packages were presented by Santa Claus, with the assistance of members of the club. A two-hour entertainment program followed.

New officers are **John Mullen**, president; **Ralph Cox**, vice president; **Bill Eslinger**, treasurer; **Dorothy Fumal**, recording secretary; and **Dan Jacobson**, corresponding secretary.

Lake Tahoe Coin Club now boasts a new member — the great, great, great granddaughter of the first treasurer of the United States—**Mrs. D. A. Copenhaver**. Michael Hillegas of Philadelphia served as treasurer of the province of Pennsylvania, treasurer of the United Colonies, and was the first treasurer of the United States.

Officers for 1964 are **James Taylor**, president; **Bert Lucido**, vice president; **Jane Morton**, secretary; and **Ray Plumlee**, treasurer.

Members of the San Francisco Coin Club elected **Ray Peiser** president for 1964; **C. W. Murphy**, vice president; **Leo Smith**, treasurer; **Roy Hill**, corresponding secretary; **Jacob Mummert**, recording secretary; **Francis Smith**, refreshment chairman; and **Kathy Muller**, publicity. Board members for the year are **John Sears**, **Francis Smith**, **Dr. C. W. Aby** and past-president **Paul Snedaker**. The new officers were installed by **Clifford Liss**.

Members of the **Modesto-Turlock Coin Club** met at the Hotel Carolyn in Turlock for a special dinner meeting in February, at which president **C. C. Beery** introduced **Frank Rosa** as the guest speaker for the evening.

The club has a special committee investigating the possibilities of forming a club in the Sonora area to be known as the **"Mother Lode Coin Club"**. Your editor finds this action to be quite confusing as he had reported a new club in the summer 1963 issue of Calcoin News known as the "Mother Lode Coin Club". The current status of this club is reported in this issue of Calcoin News, and meets in Grass Valley. How many "Mother Lode Coin Clubs" are there to be in California?

New officers of the **Hanford Coin Club** are **Bob Gardenhire**, president; **Otto Kopke Jr.**, vice president; **Fred Tinkham**, secretary- treasurer; and **M. F. Speck**, librarian.

The club meets in the Security Bank building on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings commence at 7:30 p.m.

John Sears, president of the **Northern California Numismatic Association**, has appointed **Reta Hartson** to act as convention coordinator for Northern California. This is an effort to avoid conflicting dates when scheduling coin shows by various clubs.

Plans are moving along for NCNA's third annual Coin and Currency Exhibition to be held in September. Mail is requested to be sent to P.O. Box 3044, Daly City. The theme this year will be "Japanese Coins, Ancient and Modern", following on the heels of the Netherlands theme of last year's successful show.

More than 50 collectors heard **John Sears** speak at the November meeting of the **Pacific Coast Numismatic Society**. Sears presented a very fine talk on the Jefferson nickel—the metals in the coin, the war-time nickels, the sculptor who designed the coin, Jefferson himself, and his home Monticello. The talk proved to be very interesting and enjoyable.

At the January meeting **Leo N. Kukuranov**, once a resident of India, gave a biographical talk on "Emperor Akbar, the Man Behind the Coins". He also presented an extensive display of coins pertaining to the subject.

Winners of the society's 1963 Numismatic Articles Contest were: first place tie between **Dennis Olswang** and **Don Thrall**. Third place was won by **Edward Sins**.

NEW CLUBS

Meetings have been held by a group

of Orders, Decorations and Medals enthusiasts in the San Francisco Bay area, the first being in October of 1963. The meetings were held in the Bellevue Hotel, with dinner being served each time.

At the initial meeting temporary officers were elected to facilitate matters for meetings, though it was decided to keep the group informal for the time being. Elected were **Harry Mohler** (former president of the Orders and Medals Society of America), chairman; **Jack O'Brien,** treasurer; **Victor Rajeff,** secretary, and **S. G. Yasinitsky,** program director.

The program highlight of the first meeting was the showing of color slides of the collection of **Edmund W. May,** dean of American medal collectors.

Anyone wishing to learn more of the group may write to Mohler at Box 43, Sausalito, Calif.

OUR NORTHERN NEIGHBORS

Members of the **Oregon Numismatic Society** are working hard to perfect the plans for the **Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association's** annual convention to be held May 21-24 at the Hotel Benson, Portland.

Program will include the usual bourse, displays, auction, ladies luncheon, tour of the city, Friday night forum and Saturday night banquet. **James L. Petshow,** P.O. Box 53-C, Woodburn, Ore., is general chairman.

Two of our CSNA members, **John Slusher,** bourse chairman, and **William Worth,** hospitality chairman and convention tours, have prominent parts in making this convention a success.

South of the Tehachapis

By CHARLES G. COLVER

CLUBS REACH CENTURY MARK

We now have in our Calcoin News files a list of 100 active Southern California local coin clubs. Latest to organize were at Redlands and Poway. The ranks of member clubs in CSNA were increased by enrollment of **Valley Coin Club (Los Alamos)** and **Be-Lo-Ce Coin Club (Brawley).** Welcome to the CSNA family to both of you. Is your coin club a CSNA member? If not, join now.

NAME CHANGE

Ryan Coin Club has changed its name to the **East San Diego Coin Club,** and is no longer sponsored by the Ryan Aeronautical Co. Club president **Larry Brandin** invites all persons interested in coins to attend and to join at their next mectings, held on the second Tuesday of each month in the East San Diego Women's Club, 4037 - 39th St.

VENTURA COINARAMA

A belated report has finally reached us on the **Ventura Coin Club Coinarama,** held last October. More than 850 persons attended the one-day show where 25 dealers set up bourse tables. **Gwen Sentis,** Santa Barbara, took best of show honors with her "Page Out of History" display. Second place award was won by **R. B. Carter** of South San Gabriel.

ORANGE COUNTY AT KNOTT'S

The annual banquet and installation of officers of the **Orange County Coin Club** was held in the attractive Trophy Room of Knott's Berry Farm on Jan. 31. After an exquisite banquet, retiring president **Bruce Linton** took the floor to introduce **Mrs. Herbert Bergen** as First Lady of OCCC. Herb said later this was probably due to her ability as a back seat driver in getting him to club functions.

Installation ceremonies were handled by **Charles Johnson;** and **John Lenker** gave some interesting inside history about Lola Montez. **Ken Nichols** presented everyonc with a shiny 1964 one cent and five cent picce, the first to arrive on thc West Coast. **Bryan Burkc** was installed as president for this very important CSNA Disneyland convention year. It was announced that duc to the recent donation auction the club now has morc than $1000 in the convention fund.

NATIONAL ORANGE SHOW

San Bernardino County Coin Club and **Fontana United Numismatists** will co-host the coin exhibit at the Hobby Section of the National Orange Show, March 12-22. The coin section will be one of the highlights in the huge hobby building. **Harold Packard** will serve as chairman.

OCEANSIDE COIN DISPLAY

Oceanside-Carlsbad Coin Club president **Ernie H. Sheriman** reports that the club set up a coin exhibit during the first ten days of January at the Tri-City Savings and Loan Association in Oceanside.

WHITTIER VIEWS RARITY

Those attending the December meeting of the **Whittier Coin Club** were surprised to find on display there that king of all U.S. coins, the 1804 silver dollar. The exhibit of rare coins, including the 1804 dollar, was displayed through courtesy of the **Whittier Coin Shop**, and is owned by a collector who wishes to remain anonymous. The coin is a type 2, restrike, in very fine condition.

PALMDALE SHOW

Bill Patterson won first place in competition at the recent Coin Show held in the American Savings and Loan Bldg., and sponsored by **Palmdale Coin Club**. According to **William Sherman**, club president, some 350 persons attended the three day affair. Patterson's exhibit consisted of two coins each of Canadian mintage with proof-like sets and a backdrop of colored pictures of the Royal Canadian Mint, plus a graph of mintage figures with a flashing light.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES GALORE

Many coin clubs reported special events celebrating the Christmas Season. Some had dinners; many were honored by the arrival of Santa; and lots of them gave to each person some numismatic item as a present. Some of the clubs reporting big events before Christmas were: **Compton, Antelope Valley, Downey, San Diego, Valley** and **Forty-Niner**. An unusual San Nicolas, attired in a four-foot sombrero and a colorful serape, arrived with a hearty Jo Jo Jo at the Christmas meeting of **Azteca Numismatic Society**.

PHILLIPS IN COIN WORLD

Readers of **Coin World** have been advised that **Wayne C. Phillips** will author a column called "Circus Maximus", a regular feature written in cooperation with the Ancient Coin Club of America. Phillips is a dealer in U.S. coins, and is part owner of Phillips and Sons Numismatic Showcase in Arcadia. He collects Roman coins and books dealing with Roman money, history and culture.

CHINA LAKE MEDAL

David B. Mullins, president of the **China Lake Coin Club**, reports a previously unlisted Kennedy medal. This brass medal is 38 millimeter size, and shows the bust of the late President on the obverse. It was designed and issued by the Naval Ordnance Test Station at China Lake to commemorate the visit of President Kennedy to that facility on its 20th anniversary celebration, June 7, 1963. There were a total of 10,000 pieces struck by the L. A. Stamp and Stationery Co.

NORTH AMERICAN HONORS KLEM

Bill Klem has been awarded a beautiful standing plaque by **North American Aviation Coin Club**, commending him for his efforts on behalf of the American Indian. Klem has spearheaded a nationwide drive for the return of the image of the Indian to coins and stamps. Present for the award was Don McGrew, field representative for Congressman Charles Wilson.

FOREIGN COIN CONVENTION

The long awaited **Convention of International Numismatics** will be held June 19-21 at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. General chairman **Bob Berman** states the show will open at 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 19, and close Sunday, June 21, at 5:00 p.m. The bourse will include well known foreign and ancient coin, paper money, and token and medal dealers. They will offer choice collector items seldom obtainable through most sources. Exhibits will include several superb private collections rarely seen on display, and many other fine competitive and noncompetitive exhibits.

The six sponsoring coin clubs, all specializing in fields outside U. S. coinage, plan to have experts on hand all during the show to discuss numismatic problems.

MONROVIA-COVINA COINARAMA

The third annual **Monrovia-Covina** coinarama will be held March 22 at the Elks Club in Monrovia. **Frank Stranss** is filling in as general chairman since the sudden death of **Mel Melton** recently. The day will be dedicated to the memory of Mel.

SAN BERNARDINO SHOW

San Bernardino County Coin Club has arranged for use of the National Orange Show Grounds, Sunday, April 26, for its first annual coin show. The theme will be "Around the World With Coins". The all-day event will feature the usual bourse, auction, displays and good fellowship. **Mrs. Sylvia Novack** is general chairman.

MONEY TELLS A STORY

Mrs. Edith Filfiatrean spoke at the January meeting of **Santa Barbara Coin Club.** Her subject was "Money Tells a Story", and she passed around many of the interesting pieces and strange monies of the world which she described during her talk. She said that having a collection of odd and curious money is like having a magic carpet that takes one to many strange lands. She told of the Kissi Pennies, of cowrie shells, of ghost-head or ant nose money of China, and of the Treasure of Montezuma which was in a form strange to Cortez — the cocoa bean.

A TREE GROWS IN COMPTON

Installation of 1964 officers of the **Compton Coin Club** was held Jan. 15. The ceremony was conducted in a most original way by **Wayne Dennis.** He and his clever wife, Virginia, fashioned a very attractive "Ming Tree". As Wayne assembled the tree, he held his audience spellbound by likening the tree to the club, the one needing to be nurtured and watered, the other to be serviced and financed by able and willing members. As each officer was introduced, he was given a sprig to fasten on the tree at the spot designating his office. This charming allegory was completed by the elected officers amid gleeful chuckles and advice from the floor about "grafters".

Retiring president **Ann Hall** was presented with a gold gavel trophy for her outstanding administration in 1963.

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB

The program for the Oct. 23 meeting of **Orange County Coin Club** consisted of a showing of ANA slides of Korean coins, with **Bryan Burke** as narrator. Three club members, **John Ballard, Mrs. Mattie Knickerbocker** and **Herb Bergen** brought Korean coins for display.

Amos House had a display of coins that a dealer, Thomas Elder, stated in a 1934 catalog he would not be interested in buying. All of these coins are now in great demand and are going for high prices.

BIG DOINGS AT DOWNEY

Judging of exhibits that had previously won the monthly "Best Exhibit" awards to choose the recipient of the "Best Exhibit of 1963" was a terrific chore for the judges **Charles Johnson, R. B. Carter** and **Carroll M. Dunnum,** so close was the scoring. They finally selected **Mrs. Joy Parrish** as being the one to receive the award.

A similar exhibit contest will be held during 1964, with the theme being "See Even More in '64".

HERE AND THERE

Echo Park Coin Club of Los Angeles reports the officers invite two club members at large to meet with the board of directors each month. Purpose is to better acquaint them with the behind the scenes activities, in hopes of further stimulating their interest.

Mrs. Elizabeth Goodson has been appointed editor of the **Torrance Coin Club's** new monthly bulletin called **"Torracoin".**

Walter Snyder was recently presented with a life membership in the **Los Angeles Coin Club** in recognition of his outstanding service and devotion to the club. Congratulations, Walt.

John R. Nichols recently took over ownership of The Coin Box, a shop in Ventura located at 2407 E. Main St.

Gwen Sentis, hard working secretary of the **Santa Barbara Coin Club,** is now a director of **The Canadian Numismatic Association.**

A real estate promotion in San Diego recently featured a numismatic item as a "come-on". A lucky person in attendance at their grand opening won an 1889-CC Morgan dollar, graded very fine. Other silver dollars

were on display, and sold to those interested at face value.

Collectors in the Simi area are reported happy to have the Simi Valley Coin Shop now open at 4442 Los Angeles Ave., Santa Susana. The new shop is operated by **Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Morrill.**

Latest coin shop thefts reported were the Whittier Coin Shop and Herb Perlin in Pomona. Also we hear Peter B. Payne was robbed again.

Frank Mondike has announced the opening of Anaheim Coin, a new store located at 219 W. Lincoln, Anaheim.

Among the displays shown at the December meeting of the **Orange County Coin Club** was one by **Dr. C. L. Emmons** consisting of a complete set of U. S. $1 gold and of $5 Indian Head gold; a set of $10 Indian Head gold and of Wilson Dollars in bronze, silver and gold, the latter being one of two struck.

OTHER CLUB SPEAKERS

Lconel Panosh, Ocean Beach, Nov. "Phases of Coin Collecting". **Ray Bower,** Glen City, Sept. "Clark Gruber Gold". **Dr. Verner Rich,** Norwalk, Oct. "American and Greek Coinage". **Wendall Markham,** Norwalk, Nov. "Official and Unofficial Coinage". **Joe Friend,** Pennies to Dollars, Jan. "Collecting Coins".

Herbert Bergen, Santa Barbara, Nov. "U. S. Dimes and Half Dimes". **Walter Snyder,** Culver City, Nov. "U. S. Large Cents". **Karl Brainard,** Culver City, Nov. "History of the Philadelphia Mint". **Dr. Verner Rich,** San Gabriel Valley, Oct. "Portraits on Roman Coins". **Joy Parrish,** Northrup, Dec. "Numismatists and Exonomists".

Ann Hall, Bay Cities, Dec. "Famous Women on Coins". **Sol Alexander,** Azteca, Jan. "Visiting Guadalupe y Calvo Mint". **Herman Speetor,** Echo Park, Dec. "Coin Investments". **Robert Gamble,** Forty Niner, Nov. "U. S. Currency". **Kenneth Young,** Long Beach, Feb. "Chinese Dollars".

Herbert Bergen, Southern Hub, Feb. "Silver Dollars". **Harvey Rose,** Ventura, Nov. "Coinage of Hong Kong". **Karl Brainard,** Glen City, Nov. "Iron Currency". **Henry Clifford,** Santa Barbara, Feb. "Pioneer Gold". **Dr. Verner Rich,** Compton, Feb. "Ancient Oriental Coinage".

David Haegele, Culver City, Feb. "Thirteen Years of Coin Collecting". **Charles Colver,** General Dynamics, Feb. "British Colonial Coinage". **Clifford Kreizel,** Upland, Jan. "Greenland". **Richard Goodson,** Torrance, Feb. **Ralph Mitchell,** Oceanside-Carlsbad, Jan. "Today's Junk - Tomorrow's Rarities".

Paul Hamm, San Diego, Jan. "Coin Collecting in General". **Harvey Rose,** San Diego, Feb. "Coins of Hong Kong". **Dan Harley,** International, "Liberian Coinage". **Jim Bretton,** Downey, Jan. "English Tokens". **Sol Alexander,** Downey, Feb. "Visiting Mexico". **Orvill Jordet,** Los Angeles, Jan.

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'SO-CALLED DOLLARS'

The long-awaited book, **'So-Called Dollars',** by Harold E. Hibler and Charles V. Kappen, has been published by the Coin and Currency Institute, New York City.

Listed, described and illustrated are more than 1,000 varieties of United States exposition, commemorative and monetary medals of dollar or near-dollar size. The book is divided into several sections, listing medals of national and of local interest, of industrial origin, of American personalities, and of monetary nature. Unique and near-unique items are listed in Part IV, unpriced.

Rarity ratings are assigned as are also approximate present values of the medals in choice condition.

But the book is more than mere catalog. As a literary and social history, it captures for the reader something of the romance of fairs and expositions -- remarkable social phenomena of our times.

The book is clothbound, printed on 8½ x 11-inch pages, and retails for $12.50. It may be purchased from your local dealer, or direct from Coin and Currency Institute, Inc., 393 Seventh Ave., New York 1, N.Y.

The only money that goes as far as it did 20 years ago is the dime that rolls under the bed.

CALIFORNIA GOLD COINS—MONEY MUSEUM SHOW PIECES

By CHARLES R. HOSKINS, Detroit, Michigan

On the day in 1847 when James Marshall, a little-known mechanic from New Jersey, agreed to erect a sawmill in the Sacramento River Valley for John Sutter, neither man could have anticipated the chain of events which would follow.

Early in 1848 Marshall discovered gold near the mill site. Gold! A word that stirred exciting thoughts of untold wealth in the minds of all who heard of the discovery! A secret of this magnitude could never be kept. Like a brush fire devouring the western plains, the "secret" passed from man to man, first in whispers, later with a roar. "Is it true?" they asked. Many were skeptical. Others believed —because they wanted to believe. More than a hundred thousand people from St. Louis, Boston and Atlanta, from England, Mexico, China and Australia gathered their belongings and joined the search for the fabulous pot of gold at the end of the California rainbow!

For most, the gold was to become a mirage, a thing in sight but never in grasp. Even so, some "Forty-Niners" truly struck it rich panning gold from the streams of California.

Those exciting years left their mark not only on the California hillsides, but also on the coins which were used so often to buy gold-panning equipment, camping gear, food and whiskey. Few other coins are as closely associated with such an adventurous, hot-blooded period of United States history. Those small discs of gold financed the early growth of the cities and towns of the Pacific coast. We can easily understand the allure which California gold holds for numismatists today.

A special display of private and territorial gold coins of the United States, predominantly from California, is exhibited in the **National Bank of Detroit's Money Museum.** The most exceptional gold coin of California on display is the Wass-Molitor fifty dollar gold piece of 1855. Although tens of thousands were struck, only a small number—perhaps less than fifteen—survived the mass melting of gold coins which took place later.

Gold coins of Norris, Grieg and Norris, of Moffat and Company (August Humbert), the United States Assay Office, the Pacific Company, Baldwin and Company, Wass-Molitor and Company, and Kellogg and Company are included in the United States coin display. They are accompanied by gold coins from other areas—the Bechtlers of North Carolina, Clark Gruber and Company of Colorado, and the Mormons of Utah.

The **Money Museum** staff welcomes visiting numismatists from the western states. When you plan your trip to the 1964 American Numismatic Association convention in Cleveland, Ohio, **plan to spend a day at the Money Museum of National Bank of Detroit**, only four hours by the Ohio turnpike from the convention hotel.

ENGLISH HALF PENNY

The Royal Mint of Britain did not make any half pennies in the year 1962, which is the first time since 1860.

Although still legal tender and very much in daily use, it appears the half penny may be headed for oblivion, the same as the half farthing some time ago and the farthing in 1961.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

We have received the following communication —

I am looking for a person with whom to exchange modern numismatic pieces. I am able to correspond in French, English, German and Hungarian. My address is —

Ing. E. Pavo
Redactcur Numismat
Budapest XI., Lagymanyos 12,
Hungary

Your editor has no other information about this person, other than he is well known to Dr. Ferenc Gyulai who has written several articles on coin photography for Calcoin News.

The Joyous Sound of Silver

By GARY BEALS, El Numiscadero De San Diego

In any collector's search for coins and adventure in foreign lands, he will encounter many activities and customs that differ from those of his own native country. One of the unusual coin-handling customs that intrigued this numiscadero explains some of the golpe (blows or dents) suffered by many Spanish American coins.

People of the Spanish Americas employ a third sense in handling coins that is seldom enjoyed by their cousins, the norteamericanos. These Latins, not content with examining coins only by sight and touch, derive additional satisfaction from hearing the sound of the coin—almost always one of silver.

Their purpose in ringing a coin is not entirely one of amusement. The ring of a coin can confirm or disprove to the practiced ear whether the coin is unquestionably genuine and of the proper metal. The chime of a coin thus becomes an audible guarantee of the quality of the piece. For the Latin American, a mere tap on the side of the coin seldom suffices. The custom seems to require dropping the coin from a distance of a least one foot onto a solid, hard surface; concrete paving or marble tile make ideal ringing surfaces.

The visiting U.S. collector will watch in silent horror as a non-collecting Latin flings a rare pillar dollar clanging to the floor. "Listen," the pleased countryman will say, with a contented smile, "It is good silver, no?" Upon regaining his composure, the collector must agree. The metal used in Spanish American coinage was, indeed, excellent silver. Very few coins were less than .900 fine silver, and many of the early cob-type pieces were almost pure silver. For centuries, the content of silver reales equaled in worth the face value of the coins.

After the Revolution of 1810-1821, the purity and weight of the silver was stamped upon the coins of the independent nations. Assurance of good silver in proper quantity was necessary to the people of those times. It was this very attitude—this integrity which they demanded of their coinage—that made the reales of the pillar, bust and the later Mexican Liberty Cap design acceptable in the China and Africa trade.

Even today, many Latins are interested in the fineness of coins shown them. Upon encountering a silver coin, it is quite natural for them to add to the visual and tactile examination the test of sound, and

while the coin proves itself true, it gains a new dent or abrasion. It is evident that this desire to hear the sing of silver has become as casually habitual as the squeezing of avocados in a market, and most of us have been guilty of this or similar offenses as we "test" the quality of an item.

Your writer painfully witnessed an example of this custom at his expense when he requested of a Mexican bank some recent medals struck by the Mexico mint. The teller came up with five beautiful uncirculated specimens, and—reaching over a dividing partition three-feet high—dropped them ringingly onto the marble counter. The very sinking feeling in this numiscadero's solar plexus might well have prompted him to ask if the demonstration were necessary. But the brilliant smile and the look of pride in the eyes of the pagador seemed to say what he was too modestly polite to put into words. "You hear that? The Mexico mint still turns out fine silver. There is something especially beautiful about the ring of a piece which has not yet been handled, don't you think?" We hope the departing smile we mustered was not too phony, but we were afraid to look at the pieces to assess the damage until we got home.

The true Spanish American collector, even as you and I, would not be guilty of this damaging pleasure. While he perhaps cannot always resist the temptation to clink a few coins having only intrinsic or monetary value, he respects the history and value of his numisma, and takes prideful care of his collection. But, beware the non-collecting man-on-the street; he loves the sound of silver, and may not see what harm can come from a dent in a coin.

To prevent possible damage to future coin acquisitions before they leave in carefree hands, it is advisable to request that the owner not prove the quality of his coins by dropping them. An even surer method one designed to appease the natural instincts is used by my father. On his coin hunting trips to Mexico, he carries a special eight-real "throwing piece" of little value. When inquiring about coins, he shows this "ringer" as an example. The Mexican gives it a few swift drops to the floor, thus satisfying his urge to hear the silver ring, and the numiscadero can examine any coins the Mexican might have without their suffering damage.

Very few copper coins were used before the last century, because of the preference for silver. The copper and base-metal coins most Latin-American nations are forced to use are held in low esteem by the populace. Young Latin Americans gamble with copper coins, which also adds to their appearance of hard usage. In one popular game, they throw the coins to a line on the sidewalk, and the owner of the closest coin takes all. Another game is the standard heads-or-tails, sometimes played with several coins at one toss. These are standard pastimes for shoeshine boys, newspaper boys and street vendors when business is slow.

In the minds of the Spanish American peoples, high quality silver has no substitute as a coin metal. And who can blame them for their single-mindedness in this matter? A fine silver coin will always please the eye, hand, and ear of its owner. And in these traditionally romantic countries, the imagination also is pleased in the history their coins reflect. Surely as pleasant a noise as there is in numismatics is the joyous sound of silver.

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Your Calcoin News editor saw this practice in 1935 in British India, at which time that country was flooded with counterfeit rupees. The din in a bank was tremendous when several persons at the same time were ringing rupees on the tile counters or floors in an effort to distinguish between the genuine and the counterfeit ones.

WINDOW TAX

In many old English houses one may see windows which have been bricked up to avoid, or lessen, the unpopular 'Window Tax'. This was a tax levied on all houses which had six or more windows. It dates from 1695 (William III), and the purpose was to defray the enormous expense of the great recoinage that was necessary owing to the clipping and defacing of the old hammered coinage. The tax was not repealed until 1851.

SALTY 'GOLD RUSH'

By JAMES H. WINCHESTER

So widespread has the search for buried and sunken treasure become in the last few years that the staid Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., found it neccssary to do something about it. The Library's Map Division explains that what with Geiger counters and other devices on land and new submarine and subterranean equipment under the sea, they have been besieged with requests for old treasure maps. To answer such queries, the Map Division has put together a 21-page compilation, listing and describing the 65 treasure maps in its collection.

Included in this list is a map which shows the location of 250 lost, buried, or sunken treasure locations in the Western Hemisphere; a chart of thc Spanish Main, where millions in sunken gold rests; a record of 455 of 3,500 cargo ships wrecked in the shallow waters off Cape Cod with untold riches in minerals and other wealth, and scores of others.

The National Geographic Society in Washington, D.C., has compiled a list of famous wrecks for the information of those who might be interested in setting up a treasure-hunting expedition.

Proof that treasure is to be found is an entire fortress full of pirate loot now open to the public in the Keys. Visitors if they wish can do a bit of treasure hunting themselves by donning a shallow water air helmet and going below with an expert. This museum located at Plantation Keys, Florida, now houses recovered treasure as dazzling and historically priceless as any ever found off thc North American continent.

Seventy-pound bars of silver bullion, gold doubloons, pieces of eight, coral-encrusted pirate cutlasses, and a perfectly preserved two-carat emerald earring mounted in a handsome wrought gold setting are some of the more recent finds to be seen in this treasure museum.

Many of these items, in excellent condition despite centuries on the sea floor, were recovered by Museum Director Art McKee, veteran diver and treasure hunter.

But not all treasure hunters, particularly the professionals, are concerned solely with the gold and silver lost or buried centuries ago. Today, some of the world's most experienced deep-sea divers, using the latest in scientific gear, are hard at work trying to bring up more than $50,000,000 sunk in ships off the North African beaches during World War II.

Yes, there is plenty of sunken and buried treasure still waiting to be dug up or recovered around the world. The trick, lads, is to find it!

(Excerpts from an article in the Christian Science Monitor, Oct. 5, 1963.)

A POCKET FULL OF ROCKS

By CARL CHURCH
Oregon Agate & Mineral Society

No reader of this bulletin, who is endowed with fellow feeling, regards the expression "rocks in the head" as deprecatory or even slangy. "Got-rocks" is only a friendly nickname for a collector of faceted material from the Kimberley diggings. Outside our fellowship, however, the uninitiated consider these terms as usable only behind the subject's back.

An expression frequently used and quite acceptable in Oregon years ago was "A pocket full of rocks." The origin of this phrase is a matter of record.

In the days of the fur traders, the trapper was paid in goods or with drafts, but in 1884 there were two places in the Oregon country which had outgrown the customs of frontier trading posts — Vancouver, Dr. McLaughlin's agency; and Oregon City, Gov. Abernethy, agent. Coins were brought in and circulated by pioneer settlers, but these were scarce and fractional coins were almost unknown.

Elsewhere is told the story of "beaver money" and of gold coins struck at Oregon City (sans federal sanction). But to our story: the small-change problem continued to perplex Agent Abernethy until finally he hit upon a novel solution.

From the refuse left at the falls in the Willamette River by the Indians who had split jasper, chalcedony, flint, etc., in their manufacture of arrow and spear points, Abernethy gathered loads of chips which he squared up and to which he glued strips of paper. Thereon he wrote the denomination of his coin, identified the issue in some manner such as "1884 — Abernethy change — 35 cts." Such change was given out and passed at his store for the amount inscribed on the rock wrapper.

After several transactions at Abernathy's a pioneer patron would accumulate quite a bit of change, "a pocket full of rocks." Quite naturally, through frequent usage, the expression became a reference to anyone who was well off—loaded.

Reprint from Oregon Rockhound, bulletin of the Oregon Agate and Mineral Society.

The 1848 'Cal' Quarter Eagle

By RAY BOWER, Ojai

"Lot #1 — $2.50 1848 — Head of Liberty facing left, LIBERTY on coronet, thirteen stars, date below. Reverse, eagle with U.S. shield, around UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 2½ D. In the field above eagle is stamped CAL. This was done while coin was yet in the die. Struck at the U.S. Mint at Philadelphia, from the first gold received from California. Proof, rare and, of course, in this superior condition very rare and valuable."

This was **B. Max Mehl's** description of this controversial coin, from the catalog of the Judge Charles W. Slack collection of Private and Territorial Gold Coins of California, to be sold May 5, 1925.

Here is a coin that has the distinction of falling into a category that makes it a collectible item for territorial collectors, U.S. series collectors, and even collected by some pattern collectors. In a few paragraphs I will try to explain why this coin is of such a great interest.

Col. Richard B. Mason, in charge of the Tenth Military Department at Monterey, Calif., wanted to furnish proof to the powers to be in Washington, D. C., that the new territory of California was rich beyond belief with mineral wealth. So to prove that all the wild stories of vast gold deposits in California were true, he made a personal tour of these gold fields, and gathered samples of each area, in fact a total of 230 ounces, this being part of his plan. Next was to draft a letter of information explaining this wonderful new country, the opportunities, and also to impress upon the War Department as well as the President of the United States the resulting economic and military difficulties that had arisen from all the gold activities in this territory.

So with the gold samples and letter in hand, a Lieutenant Loeser was dispatched on Aug. 30, 1848, by boat, hoping to arrive before President James K. Polk delivered his annual message to the Senate and Congress. This message was to be given on Dec. 5, 1848. At the same time, Col. Mason sent a copy of the letter of information overland, hoping one would be in time. This overland letter arrived two days before the Presidential message, in time for him to make mention of the California discovery. The President was summarizing the recent acquisition of western territory, stating the value all of this would have, and in describing Northern California noted the vast mineral wealth. He went on to say that "mineral deposits of precious metal existed to a considerable extent in California at the time of its acquisition. Recent discoveries render it

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Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

April 16-19, 1964 .....State Convention, Hotel Claremont, Berkeley
Don T. Thrall, general chairman .....610 Arlington Ave., Berkeley
Wendell J. Hooker, bourse chairman .....930 "C" St., Hayward
Oct. 22-25, 1964 .....State Convention, Disneyland
Herbert M. Bergen, general chairman .....604 N. Harbor Road, Fullerton
Kenneth L. Nichols, bourse chairman .....P.O. Box 741, Costa Mesa
William O. Wisslead, exhibit chairman .....2053 Cypress, Santa Ana
April, 1965 .....State Convention, Hilton Hotel, San Francisco
Milton C. Strauch, general chairman .....77 Westbrook Ave., Daly City
Fall, 1965 .....State Convention, El Cortez Hotel, San Diego

OTHERS

March 22 .....Third Annual Monrovia-Covina Coinorama
Elks Club, 215 W. Foothill Blvd., Monrovia
Frank Strauss, general chairman, 623 W. Lemon, Monrovia
March 23 .....Second Annual Open House, Peninsula Coin Club
Community Center, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto
Roy Hill, publicity, 1140 Sutter St., San Francisco
April 26 .....San Francisco Coin Club Coin Fair
Hall of Flowers, Ninth Avenue and Lincoln Way, San Francisco
Paul D. Snedaker, bourse chairman, 1910 - 11th Ave., San Francisco
April 26 .....San Bernardino County Coin Club Show
Orange Show Grounds, San Bernardino
Sylvia Novack, general chairman, 3532 Parkside Drive, San Bernardino
May 1-3 .....Third Annual Coin Show, Bakersfield Coin Club
Bakersfield Inn, Bakersfield
Don Kimball, chairman, 3007 Chester Lane, Bakersfield
May 3 .....Second Annual Coin Fair, North Bay Coin Club
Veterans Memorial Bldg., 250 - 12th Street, Richmond
T. C. Gilbert, general chairman, P.O. Box 444, Station A, Richmond
May 21-24 .....Annual Convention, Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association
Benson Hotel, Portland, Ore.
James L. Petshow, general chairman, P.O. Box 53-C, Woodburn, Ore.
May 29-31 .....Coast Counties Annual Coin Carnival
Riverside Inn, Santa Cruz
Wendell J. Hooker, bourse chairman, 930 "C" St., Hayward
June 4-7 .....First Annual Convention, Retail Coin Dealers Assoc. (RCDA)
Reno, Nevada .....Northern Nevada Numismatic Association, host
Don Denny, general chairman, P.O. Box 5296, Reno, Nev.
June 13-14 .....Fourth Annual Pomona Valley Coin Club Coin-A-Rama
Los Angeles County Fair Grounds, Pomona, Bldg. 22
LeRoy Myers, general chairman, 1493 Singingwood Ave., Pomona
June 13-14 .....Sixth Annual Santa Barbara Coin Club Convention
Miramar Hotel, Santa Barbara
Ray Bower, general chairman, P.O. Box 291, Ojai
June 19-21 .....Convention of International Numismatics
Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles
B. R. Berman, general chairman, 2713 Overland, Los Angeles 64
Irv Brotman, publicity, 11860 Beatrice St., Culver City
Oct. 17-18 .....Seventh Annual San Diego County Coinarama
El Cortez Hotel, San Diego

Attention Local Club Secretaries—

Your editors would appreciate being kept advised of these coming affairs in order that we may keep our Calendar of Numismatic Events as complete and accurate as possible. May we have your cooperation?

From the Desk of the Secretary

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1410 DUFFY, William C., M.D. .....1120 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md.
1411 WIRT, Sheldon G. .....1606 Edgewood Dr., Palo Alto, Calif.
1412 KEETING, Harold M. .....1298 Kotenberg Ave., San Jose 15, Calif.
1413 BEERY, Charles C. .....P.O. Box 1239, Modesto, Calif.
1414 BETTON, James L. Jr. .....650 Copeland Terr., Santa Monica, Calif.
1415 NEILL, Isabell E. .....11044 Culver Blvd., Culver City, Calif.
1416 VALLEY COIN CLUB .....P.O. Box 216, Los Alamos, Calif.
1417 MILLER, Robert E. .....8475 San Carlos Way, Buena Park, Calif.
1418 SANDERS, Wendell J. .....432 - 25th St., Ogden, Utah
1419 BE-LO-CE COIN CLUB .....537 Main St., Brawley, Calif.
1420 DOW, Dottie .....P.O. Box 5238, Phoenix, Ariz.
1421 SEELEY, James H. .....537 Hot Springs Rd., Santa Barbara, Calif.

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1133 BUCKHAM, John N. .....9 S. First St., Walla Walla, Wash.
53 BUELL, Colbert F. .....5241 Rincon St., San Diego, Calif.
1189 COONEY, Clark .....374 E. Duane Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif.
381 CROUTHAMEL, James .....3113 Claremont Dr., San Diego, Calif.
420 CROUTHAMEL, Mrs. James .....3113 Claremont Dr., San Diego, Calif.
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907 CUNNINGHAM, William A. .....837 Oakdale Ave., Monrovia, Calif.
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1373 BRAINARD, Charles M.
1026 HOLCOMB, Irvin A.
697 MORALES, Narciso R.
1011 WILSON, Naomi E.

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1273 LEASURE, Elden .....Box 304, Manhattan, Kansas
782 GOTTFRIED, George J. .....9107 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif.
1371 GRIMES, Bud .....29 Church No. 14, Mountain View, Calif.
1153 FIFIELD, Roy C. .....Box 191, Thousand Palms, Calif.
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1271 AMES, William A. .....834 Pear Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif.
1325 ALLEN STAMP AND COIN CO. 2008 E. Lincoln Blvd., Anaheim, Calif.
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Membership, Nov. 22, 1963	776
New Members, Nov. 23, 1963 to Feb. 10, 1964	13
Deceased	3
Resignations	6
Dues Not Paid for 1963 (Dropped from Membership)	65
Address Unknown (Dropped from Membership)	4
Total Membership, Feb. 10, 1964	711
1964 Dues Paid, as of Feb. 10, 1964	62

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1293	ANDERSON, Russell O.	2529 Grand Ave., Huntington Park, Calif.
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1319	ATYIM'S COIN CENTER	320 W. Arbor Vitae, Inglewood, Calif.
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1385 SAHR, Francis J. .....105 Bayside Village, 300 E. Coast Hwy.,
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424 SAMPSON, Abel .....5967 Olive Ave., Long Beach 5, Calif.
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probable that these mines are more extensive and valuable than anticipated. The accounts of the abundance of gold in that territory are of such an extraordinary character as would scarcely command belief." President Polk went on to describe the personal inspection made of these gold fields by our commander of military forces in California.

So the arrival of Lt. Loeser on Dec. 8, 1848, three days after President Polk's message, with the actual yellow metal mined in California, set off an explosion of excitement. The sample of gold was put on display in the War Office for all to see. On Dec. 8, the Secretary of War, W. L. Marcy, sent a message to Dr. R. M. Patterson, Director of the U.S. Mint in Philadelphia. The message read in part: "If the metal is found to be of Pure Gold, as I doubt not it will be, I request you to reserve enough of it for two medals, ordered by Congress and not yet completed, and the remainder, with the exception of one or two small bars, I wish to have coined and sent with the bars to this Department, as many may wish to procure specimens of coin made of California gold. I would suggest that it be made into Quarter Eagles with a distinguishing mark on each."

There were an estimated 1,389 pieces struck, but there are very few of these romantic coins available as they circulated freely and many were lost. Now you can see why these coins may be called Territorial, or classed as a variety of our regular issue of Quarter Eagles of 1848, or a pattern as who could tell, perhaps this could have been an adopted design.

Incidentally, as a final note, that Lot #1 in the sale of May 1925 went for $50!

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